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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Specification Total Pages 23
2. ☒ Drawing(s) (35USC 113) Total Pages 3
3. ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney Total Pages 2
 - a. ☒ Unexecuted(original or copy)
 - b. ☐ Copy from prior application (37CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 14 completed)
4. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked)
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which
copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b,
is considered as being part of the disclosure of the
accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by
reference therein.

[Note Box 4 Below]

i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)

 Signed statement attached deleting
Inventor(s) named in the prior
application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

5. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documentation)
6. ☒ Letter under 37 CFR 1.41(c).
7. ☐ English Translation Document to follow (if applicable)
8. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
9. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
10. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
11. ☐ Small Entity ☐ Statement filed in prior Application,
Statement(s) Status still proper and desired
12. ☒ Certified copy of Japanese priority document No.
P2000-244594 filed August 11, 2000.

14. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) ☐ of prior application No:

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RE: New U.S. Application for Letters Patent entitled
"METHOD OF FORMING LIQUID CRYSTAL ALIGNMENT FILM AND
METHOD OF PRODUCING LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE"
Applicant(s) Hirohide Fukumoto, et al.
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Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.41(c), I am filing the attached application,
including 14 claims (2 independent), 3 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-5) and the filing fee of
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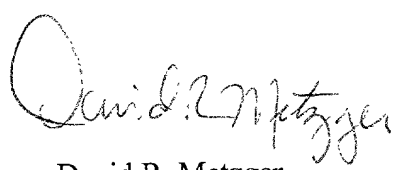
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and request that the application be assigned a serial number and filing date pursuant to the
provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) and 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d).

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